Your Diabetes Care Records

Make copies of the charts in this section. These charts list important things you should discuss with your doctor at each visit.

Things to Discuss with Your Health Care Team at Each Visit

Date:		
Whom you visited:		

Your information	Things to remember	Check off what you covered, or write the result of your visit.			
Your blood glucose levels	 Share your blood glucose records. Your doctor will ask how you are checking your blood glucose levels to make sure you are doing it right. Mention if you often have low or high blood glucose. 	 □ Shared blood glucose records? □ Checked meter? □ Practiced blood glucose reading? □ Shared high or low blood glucose? 			
Your weight	 Talk about how much you should weigh. Talk about ways to reach your target weight that will work for you. 	 □ My weight now is ───── □ My target weight is ─── □ Steps to take: 			

Your information	Things to remember	Check off what you covered, or write the result of your visit.
Your blood pressure	 Ask about ways to reach your target. The target for most people with diabetes is below 140/80 unless your doctor helps you set a different target. 	 □ My blood pressure now is □ My target blood pressure is □ Steps to take:
Your medicines	 Talk about any problems you have had with your medicines. Ask if you should take a low-dose aspirin every day to lower your chance of getting heart disease. 	 □ Shared medicine problems? □ Take aspirin? Yes No □ Steps to take:
Your feet	 Ask to have your feet checked for problems. Talk about any problems you are having with your feet, such as numbness, tingling, or sores that heal slowly. 	□ Checked feet?□ Shared problems?□ Steps to help with my feet:
Your physical activity plan	• Talk about how often you are physically active, the type of physical activity you do, and any problems you have when being physically active.	☐ Shared activities?☐ Steps to take:☐

Your information	Things to remember	Check off what you covered, or write the result of your visit.			
Your healthy eating plan	• Talk about what you eat, how much you eat, and when you eat.	☐ Shared eating habits?☐ Steps to take:☐			
Your feelings	 If you feel stressed, ask about ways to cope. Talk about whether you are feeling sad. 	□ Shared stress and problems?□ Steps to take:			
Your smoking	• If you smoke, ask for help with quitting.	□ Shared smoking habits?□ Steps to take:			

This chart lists important tests, exams, and vaccines to get at least once or twice a year.

Tests, Exams, and Vaccines to Get at Least Once or Twice a Year

Test	Instructions	Results or Dates		
A1C test	• Have this blood test at least twice a year. Your result will tell you what your average blood glucose level was for the past 2 to 3 months.	Date: A1C: Next test:		
Blood lipid (fats) lab tests	 Get a blood test to check your total cholesterol—aim for below 200 LDL, or bad, cholesterol—aim for below 100 HDL, or good, cholesterol—men: aim for above 40; women: aim for above 50 triglycerides—aim for below 150 	Date: Total cholesterol: LDL: HDL: Triglycerides: Next test:		
Kidney function tests	 Once a year, get a urine test to check for protein. At least once a year, get a blood test to check for creatinine. 	Date: Urine protein: Creatinine: Next test:		

Test	Instructions	Results or Dates		
Dilated eye exam	 See an eye doctor once a year for a complete eye exam that includes using drops in your eyes to dilate your pupils. If you are pregnant, have a complete eye exam in your first 3 months of pregnancy. Have another complete eye exam 1 year after your baby is born. 	Date: Result: Next test:		
Dental exam	• See your dentist twice a year for a cleaning and checkup.	Date: Result: Next test:		
Pneumonia vaccine (recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC])	 Get the vaccine if you are younger than 64. If you're older than 64 and your shot was more than 5 years ago, get another vaccine. 	Date received:		

Test	Instructions	Results or Dates
Flu vaccine (recommended by the CDC)	• Get a flu shot each year.	Date received:
Hepatitis B vaccine (recommended by the CDC)	 Get this vaccine if you are age 19 to 59 and have not had this vaccine. Consider getting this vaccine if you are 60 or older and have not had this vaccine. 	Date of 1st dose: Date of 2nd dose: Date of 3rd dose:

Daily Diabetes Record Page					Week Starting					
	Other blood glucose	Breakfast blood glucose	Medicine	Lunch blood glucose	Medicine	Dinner blood glucose	Medicine	Bedtime blood glucose	Medicine	Notes: (Special events, sick days, exercise)
Monday										
Tuesday										
Wednesday										
Thursday										
Friday										
Saturday										
Sunday										

You can also find a food and activity tracker at www.ndep.nih.gov.

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